













RATEPAYERS TO VOTE ON  
EIGHT MONEY BILL LAWS

Ratepayers to Vote on  
The Proposed Expenditure of Over  
Three-Quarters of a Million Dollars  
Will Come Before the Electors  
Tomorrow for Their Endorsement.

With the Provincial elections, scarcely past, the citizens of Edmonton will tomorrow have another election on the ballot, but the voters will be without many of the exciting features of the battle which they will have to face.

On Friday the property holders of the city will be called upon to pre-approve upon the payment of the city, which will in large part cover the expenditure for permanent work to be made this year by the city. There will be eight by-laws submitted to the ratepayers for their endorsement.

**Where Polls Will Be Held.**  
The returning officer will be C. Ross Palmer and there will be four polls in the last municipal election. No. 1 division will include the part of the city lying west of Ninth street and will be held at 1200 Centre street with J. P. Clinton as deputy returning officer.

No. 2 division will include the part of the city between First and Ninth streets and will be held at 1200 Centre street with J. A. Lessard as deputy returning officer. No. 3 division will include the part of the city east of First street and south of Clark street. Poll will be held at the city hall with C. E. McManus as deputy returning officer.

No. 4 division will include the part of the city east of First street and north of Clark street. Poll will be held at No. 1400 First street with W. D. McManus as deputy returning officer.

The by-laws to come before the electors are numbered 200, 205, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205 and 206. Following is a brief statement of the nature of the money in each case as it is intended.

**Electric Light and Power Plant.**  
By-law No. 200 is for the purpose of raising \$175,000 for the purpose of the Electric Light and Power plant for the purpose of street lighting and electric light and power. It is divided as follows:

Electric light and power: \$27,500  
Can. Gen. Electric Co., alter-  
nate: \$14,500

Street railway: \$42,100  
Robt Engineering Co., engine  
Bull-Morgan Co., engine  
Crescent-Wheeler Co., genera-  
tor: \$1,100

Bellers for both electric light  
and street railway: \$6,850  
Estimated cost of piping, valves,  
fittings, hauling, etc.: \$20,700

Grand total: \$175,000

**For Water Extensions.**  
By-law 201 is for the purpose of raising \$115,000 for the purpose of pumping plant and installation of filtration plant. The proposed expenditure is made up as follows:

High-pressure pump (60,000 gal.  
four capacity): \$48,600  
Filter (4,000,000 gal. capacity): \$27,710  
Estimated cost of new intake,  
pump, installation of fil-  
tration and piping: \$37,670

A two and a half million gallon filter was contemplated when the tenders were called for, but on account of the favorable prices that were received the council decided to increase the capacity of the filter to four million gallons.

A portion of this construction work, viz., the pump, was submitted to tender, but it was deemed inadvisable for the city to proceed with the work. The tenders included the pump, not intake, filter, installation of filtration and piping.

**Fire Equipment, Etc.**  
By-law No. 204 is for the purpose of raising \$15,000 to provide new equipment and replace old equipment for the fire department. The proposed expenditure includes new boiler for fire engine and the purchase of additional hose, extensions to the fire alarm system, etc.

By-law No. 202 is to raise \$10,000 to provide for the payment of the city's share of plank walks for 1908 and 1909.

By-law No. 205 is to raise \$30,000 to meet the deficit on debentures which were sold below par for the following departments:

Electric light and power: \$7,073

Telephone: \$2,000  
Waterworks and sewer: \$2,000  
Public Health: \$2,000  
General city purposes: \$1,000

The premium on debentures sold to the city will be utilized to reduce the deficiency on former sales.

**To Improve Telephone System.**  
By-law No. 203 is for the purpose of raising \$154,000 for improvements to the municipal telephone system. The work is as follows: Underground and aerial cable for districts north of Jasper and west of First street; increase in the capacity of cables in lanes north and south of Jasper avenue (between section of the town) changes and increase in carrying of longer extension east; extensions in Newwood and northern part of the city; 500 line central station equipment; 700 new telephones; labor, total, \$90,000.

To provide money for work performed in 1908 and for which debentures had not previously been sold, \$95,000.

Making a sum total of \$154,000.

**Extending Street Railway.**  
By-law No. 206 is for the purpose of raising \$20,000 to provide for extension to the municipal street railway system as follows:

For extensions to the street railway system to be done during 1909, \$150,000.

The amount of \$64,000 had been previously provided by by-law, which was secured interest at a per cent. It was deemed advisable, on account of the favorable money market, to raise by-law No. 10 and to secure the amount of \$64,000, and by so doing raising a premium will interest 45 per cent instead of 5-50,000.

Making a sum total of \$205,000.

**Electric Light Extensions.**  
By-law No. 206 is to raise \$47,000 for extensions to the municipal electric lighting system.

The extensions include transformers, lights, poles, wire, meters and electrical construction on the distribution end of the electric lighting system.

**CHAMP CLARK ON TARIFF.**  
In Humorous Vein Democratic Leader  
Tears Payne Bill to Pieces.

Washington, D. C., March 24.—For six hours tonight Champ Clark, Democratic leader and ranking Democratic member of the Ways and Means committee, held forth on the Payne tariff bill, praising some features, condemning others and at all times steering through the Democratic policy for tariff reform. The house galleries were crowded and apparently enjoyed the speech. Mr. Clark was a happy humorist. He chaffed the Republican members of the ways and means committee and indulged in much humorous play-acting. He announced that he favored a revenue tax on every taxable article with the exception of salt, this exception being in part contingent.

Under existing conditions, he supposed the tax on salt and coffee, on amber and leather, and was bitterly hostile to all countervailing duties, which he characterized as subsidies, duties and tariff trickery. Mr. Clark said he was undecided as to the merits of an inheritance tax over an income tax and would not announce his position. His criticism brought from Mr. Washburn, of Massachusetts, a Republican, a flat statement in opposition to an inheritance tax with the amount that he would, if given the opportunity, move to strike out this provision from the bill. He suggested that it was an unwarranted encroachment by the government on a source of revenue pecuniary available to the states and a repeal of such an act would be a great relief to the states.

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**NATIONAL EFFECTS OF ALCOHOL.**  
Comments Enthusiastic, Excites French-  
man and Baffles the German.

Washington, March 24.—At the opening of the three days' session of the American Society for the Study of Alcohol and Other Drug Narcotics today Dr. W. B. Carpenter, of Atlanta, made the different effects of alcohol on the human body.

The negro, he continued, is not an alcoholic as a race. He drinks to get a little excitement and give him a little rest. The Jew is not a race drinker; alcohol to him is a strong stimulant. The Russian takes alcohol in the place of food, and is drinking is a very marked characteristic of his race.

**FAMOUS KIDNAPING CASE.**  
Street Cops in Charge of Search for  
Responsible for One Death in Arrest of  
Innocent Woman, Who Suspected  
to Be Frigid.

Cleveland, Ohio, March 24.—Events are moving rapidly in the kidnapping case of little Billy White, positively identified the prisoner as Mr. and Mrs. Jones. The county prosecutor insists that the crime was committed in Ohio, that it is Blackwell and intended to be there, although the new law on abduction will go to the Governor of Pennsylvania. Cleveland police are extremely bitter with the Perkins detective agency, saying that but for information which was withheld by White they would have taken Mr. Jones and his fair companion, who was positively identified as Helen Walker on Saturday.

Acting on the police statement that he could see them, he called and certain street cars from the window, the police located a window in the Greater Apartments and visited the apartment Mr. and Mrs. Walker, March 24, before they were out of bed. The latter proved to be none other than Boyle and the Falks were women, although when the police returned later they had fled. The mystery deepened when the police visited Mary Dineen, supposed former wife of Boyle, at the St. Charles hotel, where she has a cheap room. She consented to accompany the detective to the station but collapsed en route, was rushed to a hospital and there succumbed. Surgeons said she had taken morphine, but the quantity was insufficient and she probably died of fright. Detectives, however, say she was quite calm.

**WINNIPEG LABOR TROUBLES.**  
Bricklayers and Carpenters Want In-  
creased Wages.

Winnipeg, Man., March 24.—Built-up construction in this city, which is expected to start labor troubles during the present year, which, unless they are quickly averted, will cause a setback to what is anticipated should be the record year for building in Winnipeg.

The bricklayers will demand 62½ cents per hour, an increase of 2½ cents over the price paid last year. While these demands are being parlayed by the union, the master builders are pressing up a new wage schedule which provides a reduction of 5 cents per hour.

The carpenters are now getting 35 cents but will ask for 40 cents per hour in their new agreement. Nothing definite has been decided yet, but it is expected the plan will require this year, but it is understood they will ask 35 cents instead of the 30 cents they are now getting.

Several other unions consider that a healthy wage is not sufficient to meet requirements, and may prepare new schedules.

**NEED IS NOT IMMEDIATE.**  
First Lord of Admiralty Refuses to  
Purchase Brazilian Battleships  
Under Construction.

London, March 24.—Walter McKenna, First Lord of the Admiralty, stated in the House of Commons today that he declined to consider the advisability of purchasing one or other of the Brazilian battleships now under construction in this country.

He added: "If we require more ships I think it would be better to build them ourselves, but we don't require any more ships at present. As regards the future we will have ample time to build them."

Viccount Holmebeck asked, "Supposing these ships were bought by a foreign power would it not upset the calculations of the Admiralty?"

"No," replied Mr. McKenna, "our present superiority for 1904-10 is so great that no alarm need be caused."

**Winnipeg Girl Attempts Suicide.**  
Winnipeg, March 24.—Evelyn Woodhall, a girl 18 years of age, was hurried to hospital from her home at 429 Higgins avenue, yesterday afternoon to the General Hospital suffering from carbolic acid poisoning. It is thought she will recover. The details of the case are somewhat obscure, and on statement could be secured as to how the girl came to take the acid. A physician was called, who administered emetics, and the young girl was taken from her home in an ambulance to the hospital.

**Immigration Hall for Masses Jaw.**  
Moscow, Jan. 24.—The Russian government will erect an immigration hall in Moscow. This is the first time that the government has decided to draw in the immigrants of the world, who are now being taken in by the proprietors of the hall, and it is a step towards the improvement of the immigrants as a race.

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